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MIG-21 AND A U.S. ACFT OVER NORTH VIETNAM.

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AT 26/0433Z OCT 67, NORTH VIETNAMESE TACTICAL VHF FACS REFLECTED TWO MIG-21 TYPE ACFT SCRAMBLING IN REACTION TO HOSTILE ACFT OVER NVN. THESE ACFT WERE VECTORED TOWARD THREE FLIGHTS OF HOSTILE ACFT AND AT 0441Z, IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO ENGAGING THE FIRST FLIGHT, THE MIG-21 PILOTS REPORTED OBSERVING ONE OF THE HOSTILE ACFT BEING DOWNED. THIS ACFT WAS IDENTIFIED BY THE PILOTS AS EITHER AN F8 OR AN F4 TYPE ACFT. THE SUBSEQUENT ENGAGEMENT RESULTED IN NO REFLECTED LOSSES. AT APPROX 0442Z THE MIG-21 PILOTS WERE INSTRUCTED TO BREAK AWAY AND LAND AT POSS KIZN AN. AT APPROX 0451Z, ONE OF THE MIG-21 PILOTS WAS INSTRUCTED TO PAY ATTENTION AND BE ALERT TO HIS RIGHT. SUBSEQUENT ATTEMPTS TO CONTACT THIS PILOT WERE FUTILE. AT APPROX 0455Z THE PHUC YEN CONTROLLER INSTRUCTED THE CHIEF GCIC CONTROLLER TO NOT CALL THIS PARTICULAR PILOT ANYMORE FOR HE DID NOT HAVE THE ACFT PILOT ANYMORE. CONTROLLERS CONTINUED TO CALL THIS PILOT THROUGH APPROX 0510Z; HOWEVER, THEY NEVER RECEIVED A REPLY WHICH COULD BE POSITIVELY IDENTIFIED AS THIS PARTICULAR MIG-21 PILOT. COMMENT: THE FACT THAT NO AIR ENGAGEMENT WAS NOTED PRIOR TO THE REPORTED DOWNING OF THE US. ACFT, INDICATES THAT IT WAS DOWNED BY EITHER AAA OF SAM. SINCE NO RESPONSE WAS DEFINITELY REFLECTED TO THE CALLS OF THE MIG-21 PILOT, IT IS BELIEVED THAT THIS MIG-21 TYPE ACFT WAS DOWNED. XXHH 307 NNNH

NO F4 down this date
F8 is Rice, Charles Donald

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